



Don't Count on Kids To Save Your Marriage

by Count Marco

Many women ask me, "Do children prevent divorce?" I tell them the only preventive for divorce is a wise, kind and considerate wife.

Motherhood isn't so special that you can view it as a way to hold a man to your bedstead like a chain around the ankles.

The way he looks at it, if you don't give him babies, some other woman will, or probably has. This is what happens if you're the type who would use a clothesline full of diapers as a tempter instead of true femininity.

Statistics indicate that 60 per cent of couples seeking divorce have no children. Does this mean that had they little ones the marriage would have gone along more smoothly? Mais non!

Some couples face reality and know that, children or no, the marriage is doomed almost from the beginning, which is the moment a wife slips into too-tight pants and wears her hair up in

rollers while her beast is around. He loses interest because quite obviously she has lost interest.

Usually it is he who first decides he wouldn't bring any children into such a soiled world as the one kept by the wife he is about to ex out of his life. Men are more considerate that way, you have to admit.

Often I have noted in this country that you don't have children because you like the sound of little feet pattering about the place but as a way to keep a live-in in-law busy babysitting.

There is a time for children, and all married couples should before marriage decide on the proper intervals and how many. The one exception to this rule, of course, is when the baby de-

cides to have the wedding ahead of schedule.

Surveys show that, in most cases, couples prefer to begin their family additions during the second year of their marriage.

The reasons for having babies are varied and interesting. Some of you have them because you wish to have a stake in the future, many because you find time heavy on your hands and want to have something to keep you occupied.

Any reason is good and acceptable except to keep a dying marriage from going out. It's like throwing coals on a fire that doesn't have enough spark to catch.

Only one thing can revive a broken-down marriage: you. Go back to the day you said "yes" and start all over again but with redoubled effort because you let so much time pass you by.

Once you have him and the marriage back on an even keel, then you may have children. This is the ideal and only way.

Adventists Begin New Area School

Congregations of five South-west Seventh-day Adventist churches will break ground next Sunday for the first unit of a \$750,000 school to be built at 4400 W. Del Amo Blvd.

Speaker for the ground breaking ceremonies will be Cree Sandefur, president of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Other officers will include Alvin G. Munson, executive secretary; Albert Hamra, treasurer; and John F. Knipschild, educational superintendent. Special guest will be Mayor Albert Isen.

THE NEW school will serve students from the Gardena, Hawthorne, San Pedro, Redondo Beach, Torrance, and Wilmington Adventist churches. The first unit to be constructed, with a September 1964 completion date, will be a six classroom elementary building.

The second unit will be a small multi-purpose auditorium. Construction of this building is expected to begin soon. The third stage of the building project will be another classroom structure. The final unit will include a gymnasium, library and offices.

The first six grades will be housed in the initial building. The completion of each unit will add more grades until the final stage when a full 12-grade school will be in operation.

A nine-acre tract has been purchased for the building project. According to Albion Hoff, pastor of the San Pedro Church and chairman of general arrangements, construction of all four units is expected to be under way within five years.

Building committee members with their responsibilities include: Aldin Young, DDS, 3139 W. 177th St., co-ordinating; Hugh Sterling, architectural; Gerald Pierce, location; Ozzie Emmanuel, treasurer; and Mrs. Don Moshos, public information.

Plans call for a building superintendent to be hired but most of the construction work will be done on a volunteer basis by members of the five participating churches.

Orthopaedic Center Fund Still Short

The Orthopaedic Hospital's \$7.5 million capital building fund drive lacks \$1,700,000 towards completion, according to Walt Disney and Jesse W. Tapp, fund appeal co-chairmen.

In the six years since the fund drive was initiated, residents of Los Angeles and other Southland communities have contributed \$5,800,000 to the building fund of the Southland orthopaedic center where nearly 93,000 handicapped persons have received medical help.

"Those who give to Orthopaedic Hospital's fund drive in this holiday season will be giving a Christmas gift to all Southern California crippled children," the co-chairmen emphasized.

The thousands of youngsters who enter orthopaedic center are given total medical care in addition to orthopaedic treatment, regardless of race, creed, place of residence or inability to pay, through the age of 21. Contributions to complete this building fund may be sent to Orthopaedic Hospital, Los Angeles 7.

Lesson-Topic For Today's Service Told

Man's protection from evil influences through an understanding of God will be the theme at all Christian Science churches today. The title of the Bible Lesson is "Ancient and Modern Necromancy, alias Mesmerism and Hypnotism, Denounced."

The Scriptural verse "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world," (1 John 5:4) will be presented in the responsive reading.

The following passage from the denominational textbook will also be read: "The Christian Scientist has enlisted to lessen evil, disease, and death; and he will overcome them by understanding their nothingness and the allness of God, or good."

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